

UNCLE SAM'S FOREST RANGERS #503

PROGRAM TITLE

SUSTAINING

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WRITER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1942

DAY & DATE

11:30 - 12:00 NOON

TIME

**PRODUCTION NOTES**

CHARACTERS

CASH - HARVEY HAYS

MARY - LUCILE HOSTING

BESS - KATHERINE CARD

JERRY - JOHNNY LARKIN

MAJOR HALL - PERCY HEMUS

SOUND

REMARKS

MASTER Attached as broadcast:  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATE: 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

- 1. HARRY JAY - MR.
- 2. ROBERT H. JOHNSON - MR.
- 3. KATHLEEN O'NEILL - MR.
- 4. JOSEPH J. LADD - MR.
- 5. BERT H. HARRIS - MR.

1. ANNOUNCER: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers!

2. MUSIC: Theme

3. ANNOUNCER: Wherever they are in the United States and in Alaska and  
4. Puerto Rico, each one of our 160 National Forests is  
5. contributing to war. Great quantities of good timber,  
6. grown ripe and ready under the watchful eye and protecting  
7. arm of Uncle Sam, now serve his war needs. Uncle Sam's  
8. Forest Rangers and all the forest improvements and  
9. forest machinery at their command are also part of our  
10. Nation's vast armt on the war-path. And in a number of  
11. our National Forests, large areas of the land itself are  
12. being dedicated to direct war service. But that's  
13. today's story of the Pine Cone National Forest, so let's  
14. hurry along ... At the Ranger Station we find Ranger Jim  
15. Robbin's wife, Bess, telling Mary Halloway, the local  
16. schoolma'am, some exciting news ... about how Jim and his  
17. assistant, Jerry Quick, left the Station early in the  
18. morning with Major Hall of the United States Army and  
19. ... well, here's Bess and Mary.

20. BESS: (FADING IN) Yes, and they've been out there in the  
21. forest all day checking possible locations. I do hope  
22. the Major finds the sort of area he's looking for.

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United States Forest Service

Forest

ANNOUNCEMENT

REPLY

ANNOUNCEMENT

Wherever they are in the United States and in Alaska and

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Forest Service at their command are also part of our

National War effort on the war-plant. And in a number of

our National Forests, large areas of the land itself are

being devoted to direct war needs. For that

today's story of the Fine Code National Forest, as far as

Forest Service. At the Forest Station we had rather the

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Forest Service, some existing now... about how in and the

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Forest Service, the Forest Hall of the United States Army and

Forest Service, Forest and Forest.

(PART 1) Yes, and they've been out there in the

Forest Service, by checking possible locations. I do hope

the Forest Service finds the best of areas for

REPLY

1. MARY: Isn't it wonderful, Mrs. Robbins? Just think how proud  
2. it will make everyone in Winding Creek to have some of  
3. our Army boys right here in the Pine Cone National Forest.  
4. But then, I suppose it'll take a long time to set a  
5. camp up even if Major Hall does select a suitable area,  
6. won't it?

7. BESS: There's no telling, Mary. After all, the idea of  
8. bringing a camp in here isn't exactly a new thing. There's  
9. been reconnaissance trips before this and Jim took out  
10. a whole group of officers just last week, you remember.  
11. I declare, since this camp business started, Jim and  
12. Jerry have been guides, consultants, and bureaus of  
13. information all rolled into one.

14. MARY: They've enjoyed it though, I know. Jerry was excited as  
15. could be after that last trip. But the meanie wouldn't  
16. tell me a bless thing, about it.

17. BESS: (LAUGHS) Military secrets, Mary.

18. MARY: Yes, so I gathered, in no uncertain terms ... Then it's  
19. up to Major Hall to finally decide, Mrs. Robbins?

20. BESS: No, I believe it will be up to some Board at headquarters  
21. to finally approve a location but I suppose the Major's  
22. recommendation will count for a lot.

23. MARY: I just can't get over it ... The thought of having  
24. an Army camp right here in our Pine Cone Forest ... it's ...  
25. well, it's thrilling.

... I will have everyone in the morning...  
... I suppose it'll take a long time to get a  
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MARY:



1. BESS: And of course there'll be good-looking soldier boys all  
2. over the place.

3. MARY: I ... I wasn't thinking about that at all, Mr. Robbins.

4. BESS: Maybe Jerry will think about it, though.

5. MARY: Oh, Jerry's an old jealous somebody. No, what I  
6. was thinking was that the folks in Winding Creek will  
7. really have to do something about making the soldiers  
8. feel at home when they come here.

9. BESS: Winding Creek folks have never been backward about their  
10. hospitality, Mary. But I don't believe we should worry  
11. about that quite yet. It's entirely possible they won't  
12. find the kind of area on the Pine Cone that they want for  
13. their maneuvers.

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I ... I wasn't thinking about that at all. I

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knows Jerry will think about it, though.

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Oh, Jerry's an old jealous somebody. No, what I

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was thinking was that the name in Manning Green will

really have to do something about making the children

feel at home when they come here.

Manning Green folks have never been backward about their

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hospitality, Jerry. But I don't believe he should have

about that quite yet. It's entirely possible they may

find the kind of error on the fine line that they want for

that moment.



1. MARY: Well, I'm sure Mr. Robbins will find a place that is  
2. suitable if anybody can.

3. BESS: My, you have splendid faith in my husband, don't you, Mary?

4. MARY: Of course I do, Mrs. Robbins. And so do you.... Say, when do  
5. you expect Mr. Robbins and Jerry back here with some news?

6. BESS: Not before suppertime, I guess. Settling on a location for an  
7. Army training place is no small matter (FADE) after all, my  
8. dear.

9. PAUSE

10. JIM: (FADING IN) Well, what do you think about this area, Major?  
11. We get a pretty good view of the whole layout from this ridge  
12. top, as you can see.

13. HALL: Not bad, not bad.

14. JERRY: This is one of the two areas Jim and I located after the party  
15. of officers was here last week, Major. It's the best bet, we  
16. think.

17. HALL: (CHUCKLING) You two must have had your hands full with those  
18. boys. Several branches of the Service were represented, I  
19. take it.

20. JERRY: Yes sir. And each one was looking for different things,  
21. according to the needs of his particular branch, of course.

22. JIM: They were all fine men, Major. It's just that, well, it's  
23. gonna be difficult to turn up an area here that has  
24. everything they want.

25. HALL: Well, this looks like it might come pretty close to it.

Well, I'm sure Mr. Robbins will find a way to get the

MARY:

available in anybody's hands.

HUGH:

But you have established that in the hands of the

MARY:

Of course I do, Mrs. Robbins. And so do you. Let's see

you expect Mr. Robbins and Jerry back here with some news

BESS:

Not unless I hear it, I guess. Settling on a location for

any factory site is no small matter.

Dear

PAUSE

JIM:

(Speaking to Mary) Well, what do you think about this area, Mary?

We got a pretty good view of the whole layout from the

top of the hill here.

MARY:

Not bad, but not

JERRY:

This is one of the two areas that I looked at. The other

of course was here last week, Mary. It's the best

thing.

MARY:

(Speaking to Jim) You two must have had your hands full with

those several branches of the service you mentioned. I

take it.

JERRY:

Yes sir, and each one was looking for different things

according to the needs of his particular branch of service.

JIM:

They were all the same, Mary. It's just that, well, it's

going to be difficult to turn on an area here that has

everything they want.

MARY:

Well, it looks like it might come pretty close to it.

1. JIM: Uh huh....I reckon there's room off there to the west for a  
2. rifle range. See?

3. HALL: Yes, I think you're O. K. on that.

4. JERRY: Yeah, and we kinda figured all that level area directly  
5. below us would make a swell place to set up camp. What about  
6. that, sir?

7. HALL: Hmm..Looks good so far. And of course these mountains and  
8. the forest all around will give us the cover and distance  
9. we'll need for maneuvers.

10. JIM: Yep. And at the same time I reckon this area is as convenient  
11. to transportation facilities, roads and the like, as any we  
12. could find in the forest.

13. HALL: Is there sufficient water there, Mr. Robbins?

14. JIM: Yes sir. A good stream, Major.

15. HALL: Good. It looks like this area ought to shape up splendidly.  
16. Let's see now. There's just one other thing.....

17. JERRY: What's that, Major? Doesn't that cover about everything the  
18. other men were looking for.

19. HALL: No, not quite, Jerry. It was recently decided that we ought  
20. to include a small landing field for aircraft. So as to give  
21. us a chance to get in some more licks at mountain flying, you  
22. know.

23. JIM: That means another level spot doesn't it, Major?

24. HALL: Yes, but...look....down there to the Northeast. That clump of  
25. pines there. Nice level run there. We could clear those trees  
and have a small airfield, I think.



Jim: I think there's a good chance for the best of it

JIM:

with things like that.

Yes, I think you're O.K. on that.

HALL:

Yeah, and we kinda figured all that level area directly

ERRY:

below us would make a swell place to set up camp. That about

that, Jim?

Jim: Look, good so far. And it covers these mountains and

HALL:

the forest all around will give us the cover and distance

we'll need for ourselves.

Yes, and at the same time I think this area is as convenient

JIM:

to transportation facilities, roads and the like, as any

could find in the forest.

Is there anything else you'd like to see, Mr. Bobbins?

HALL:

Yes sir. A good stream, Major.

JIM:

Look, it looks like this area ought to be as good as

HALL:

let's see now. There's just one other thing....

That's all, Major. Bobbins' last cover about everything else

ERRY:

other we were looking for.

It was really decided that we ought

HALL:

to make a small landing field for aircraft. So as to give

us a chance to get in some more lines of communication.

That's

That was a rather level spot doesn't it, Major?

JIM:

Yes, it is. Look... how there to the Northwest. That's

HALL:

other to the West. Nice level area there. We could also have

and put a small airstrip, I think.

1. JERRY: Holy smoke. Not that place, Major.  
2. HALL: Huh? Why not, Jerry?  
3. JIM: I...I was going to tell you about those pines, Major Hall. I  
4. hate for anyone to cut those trees down now. They'...they're...  
5. well, that's a kinda special area.  
6. HALL: I don't understand. It's naturally expected that we'll have to  
7. do some clearing to establish a camp in the forest and....  
8. JIM: You see, Major. That's our Memorial Pine Grove.  
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I... I was going to tell you about these things, but I...  
have for anyone to see those trees down here. They...

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well, that's a kind of special area.

I don't understand. It's naturally expected that we'll have  
to some extent to establish a camp in the forest area.

MARK:

You see, that's our general line of work.

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1. JERRY: That's right, Major. Those pine trees are kinda special,  
2. like Jim says. They're sort of nice fast growing pines  
3. for one thing, but more than that, every one of those trees  
4. was planted in memory of some Forest Service man or CCC boy  
5. who lost his life in the service of his country.

6. JIM: I was hoping we could leave that Grove untouched near the  
7. camp. I kinda figured it might even be a source of inspiration  
8. to the lads who might be quartered down there.

9. HALL: Fast growing pines...Memorial Grove...Well, Jim, I hardly  
10. know what to say. This area, of course, really meets all  
11. our requirements and it's important that we don't delay any  
12. longer than we have to.

13. JIM: I understand.

14. JERRY: Major, there's an airfield several miles north of here. One  
15. of the emergency fields the CCC built for our Forest Service  
16. patrol planes. Couldn't that be used to.....

17. JIM: Jerry, I reckon it's not fair for us to put the Major on  
18. a spot like this. He's got his job to do. This is war, you  
19. know, and the boys those trees are a memorial to...they  
20. wouldn't want us to stand in the way of anything that'd help  
21. in the war, I reckon.

22. HALL: Thank you, Ranger Jim. You're all right. Perhaps our men  
23. could help you establish a new Memorial Grove somewhere else  
24. in the forest.

25. JERRY: But some of those pines were planted nearly 25 years ago, right  
after the last war, Major.

FERRY:

...the fact that in the service of his country, I was hoping we could leave that Grove unopened near the camp. I think it might even be a source of inspiration to the men who might be scattered down there.

JIM:

...that Grove... Memorial Grove... Well, Jim, I know that area, of course, really well. Our responsibilities and it's important that we don't damage the forest and we have to.

HALL:

...I understand. Major, there's an airstrip several miles north of here, one of the emergency fields the GOC built for our forest service. Couldn't that be used? ...

JIM:

...I know that area, of course, really well. Our responsibilities and it's important that we don't damage the forest and we have to.

FERRY:

...I know that area, of course, really well. Our responsibilities and it's important that we don't damage the forest and we have to.

JIM:

...I know that area, of course, really well. Our responsibilities and it's important that we don't damage the forest and we have to.

HALL:

...I know that area, of course, really well. Our responsibilities and it's important that we don't damage the forest and we have to.

FERRY:

...I know that area, of course, really well. Our responsibilities and it's important that we don't damage the forest and we have to.



1. JIM: Forget it, Jerry.
2. HALL: Well, I guess that's all we can do here for the moment. I've  
3. got to make my report to Headquarters as soon as possible.
4. JERRY: Gosh, this'll sure make Mrs. Robbins feel bad.
5. JIM: Jerry, I said forget it...Don't mind him, Major.
6. HALL: What about Mrs. Robbins, Jerry?
7. JERRY: She planted one of those trees herself down there, Major.  
8. For her and Ranger Jim's boy, David. He was killed in the  
9. last (FADE) war, you see.
10. PAUSE
11. FADE IN SOUND OF EATING UTENSILS
12. JIM: Bess, you've had hardly a thing to eat. That's no good.
13. BESS: I'm not very hungry, Jim.
14. JIM: Bess, you shouldn't take this so hard.
15. MARY: We didn't think that things would take such a turn when  
16. Mrs. Robbins and I were talking about the camp this afternoon,  
17. Jerry.
18. JERRY: Yeah, I know.
19. JIM: Look, Bess. The Major said some of the soldier lads could  
20. help us set up a new Memorial grove. I think that's a fine  
21. idea, at that.
22. BESS: Isn't there some other level piece of ground there in the  
23. area, Jim, that they can use for an airfield? There must be,  
24. Jim, there must be  
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forget it, Jerry.

JIM:

Well, I guess that's all we can do here for the moment. I'm

MARY:

get to make my report to Headquarters as soon as possible.

Okay, that'll come later Mrs. Robbins' letter.

JERRY:

Jerry, I can't forget it... Don't mind him, Jerry.

JIM:

That about Mrs. Robbins, Jerry?

MARY:

The picture one of these trees herself down there, Major.

JERRY:

Yes, her name Ranger Jim's boy, David. He was killed in the

last (1918) war, you see.

MARY:

JERRY IN ROOM OF HATING MARRIAGES

Now, you've had hardly a thing to eat. That's no good.

JIM:

I'm not very hungry, Jim.

MARY:

Now, you shouldn't take this so hard.

JIM:

We didn't want that things would take such a long time.

MARY:

Mrs. Robbins and I were talking about the cup this afternoon.

Jerry.

JERRY:

Yeah, I know.

Look, Major. The Major said one of the soldiers had said

JIM:

help us to dig a new memorial grove. I think that's a fine

idea, no?

MARY:

Let's have some other level piece of ground there in the

area, that they can use for an airfield? There's some

Jim, that's what he

1. JIM: I'm afraid not, Bess. That one piece of ground's all  
2. that's left after....

3. JERRY: I suggested that they use our emergency field for landing  
4. planes but I'm afraid it's too far off.

5. CHAIR SCRAPES BACK

6. BESS: If...if you'll all please excuse me, I think I'll go  
7. upstairs and lie down a bit. I have a dreadful headache and...  
8. well...just leave the dishes. I'll do them later.

9. MARY: Can't I get something for you, Mrs. Robbins?

10. JIM: Bess, listen to me.....

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JIM:

I'm afraid not, Gene. That one starts at ground's eye

level's left edge....

JERRY:

I suggested that they use our emergency table for landing

planes but I'm afraid it's too far off.

CHAIN SCRAPS BACK

JESS:

It'll be all right please excuse me, I think I'll go

upstairs and tie down a bit. I have a dreadful headache and

well... I'll leave the dishes. I'll do them later.

MARY:

Can't I get something for you, Mrs. Robbins?

JIM:

Yes, I'll be there.



1. SOUND OF KNOCK ON DOOR

2. JERRY: Someone's at the door, Jim. I'll go see who it is.

3. JIM: Wait a minute, Bess.

4. CHAIR BACK, FOOTSTEPS, DOOR OPENS

5. JERRY: Well, it's Major Hall. Hello, Major.

6. HALL: Hello, Jerry. Is Ranger Robbins here? Yes, I see he is.

7. Hello, Jim.

8. DOOR CLOSSES

9. JIM: Howdy, Major. You've met my wife. This is Miss Halloway here.

10. MAJOR: Hello, everybody.

11. MARY: How do you do.

12. MAJOR: I hate to break in on you while your eating....

13. JIM: Not at all. C'mon, pull up a chair and have supper with us.

14. MAJOR: No, thank you, Jim. I've already eaten. I just thought you'd  
15. be interested in knowing what happened after I left you earlier  
16. this evening.

17. JERRY: That area we looked at is O. K. for the camp?

18. MARY: Is that it, Major Hall?

19. HALL: Yes, I believe that area will be approved.

20. BESS: I...I was about to leave when you came in, Major. If you'll  
21. excuse me...

22. HALL: Just a minute, please, Mrs. Robbins....I guess you've been  
23. quite concerned about that Memorial Pine Grove and the  
24. possibility that.....

25. MARY: Please, Major....

SOUND OF KNOC ON DOOR

JERRY: Someone's at the door, Jim. I'll go see who it is.

JIM: Wait a minute, Jerry.

CHAIR BACK, FOOTSTEPS, DOOR OPENS

JERRY: Well, it's Major Hall. Hello, Major.

HALL: Hello, Jerry. Is Ranger Robbins here? Yes, I see he is.

HALL: Hello, Jim.

DOOR CLOSES

JIM: Howdy, Major. You've got my wife. This is Miss Wilson, here.

HALL: Hello, everybody.

MARY: How do you do.

HALL: I have to work in on you while your eating.

JIM: Not at all, Major, pull up a chair and have supper with us.

HALL: No, thank you, Jim. I've already eaten. I just thought you

be interested in knowing what happened after I left you earlier

this evening.

JERRY: That story is looked at to O. R. for the night.

MARY: Is that Major Hall?

HALL: Yes, I am. That story will be approved.

SESS: I... I want to leave when you come in, Major. If you'll

excuse me.

HALL: Just a moment please, Mrs. Robbins... I guess you've seen

quite a bit about that Honorable Pine Grove and the

possibilities that...

MARY: Please, Major...

1. HALL: Don't misunderstand me. Those pines will not be cut down.
2. JERRY: What's that?
3. HALL: That's correct. You see, I was inclined to agree all along
4. with Jim and Jerry that those pines shouldn't be cut down...
5. but now, it appears, another reason has been brought forward
6. for retaining the grove as it stands.
7. JERRY: But what about the airfield, Major?
8. HALL: We'll use the emergency field, like you suggested, Jerry. As
9. for the pine grove...it's planned now to bring in a Camouflage
10. Unit. The officer in charge has heard about your fast-growing
11. pines, Jim, and he was dead set against having them cut. In
12. fact, Jim, he hopes you'll find time to work with him. Trees
13. and shrubs count heavily in camouflage work, you know. Well,
14. that's about it...
15. JIM: (CLEARS THROAT) Major, it was doggoned nice of you to take the
16. trouble to come up here and...
17. MAJOR: Skip it, Jim. I'll see you shortly. There's a lot more work
18. we'll be calling upon you and Jerry to do in the near future..
19. For the time being, I'll just say so-long, and thanks for your
20. help....
21. BESS: (BROKENLY) Major Hall..isn't..isn't there some way we can repay
22. you for your..your interest and kindness? I'm sure you must have
23. had a lot to do yourself with saving our Memorial Pines...
24. HALL: Well, ma'am, I don't think you owe me any thanks, but since you
25. put it the way you did..there is something I would appreciate...  
very much.



Don't misunderstand me. These people will all be out soon.

HALL:

What's that?

JERRY:

That's correct. You see, I was inclined to agree all along.

HALL:

With Jim and Jerry that those things shouldn't be out there.

But now, it appears, another reason has been brought forward.

For retention of the grove as it stands.

But what about the airfield, Major?

JERRY:

We'll use an emergency field, like you suggested, Jerry.

HALL:

For the airfield. It's planned now to bring in a runway.

Unit. The officer in charge has heard about your fall-growth.

And he was dead set against having them cut. In

fact, Jim, he hopes you'll find time to work with him.

And since you'll be working so heavily in the woods, you know, will

that's about it...

(CLEARLY HEARD) Major, it was proposed also of you to have

JIM:

trouble to come up here and...

But I'll see you eventually. There's a lot more to

WALTON:

well, it's better upon you and Jerry to do in the near future.

For the time being, I'll just say so-long, and thank you for

help...

(BROKER) Major Bell... I don't think there's any more to say from

BESS:

you for your interest and kindness. I'm sure you'll

put a lot of yourself into saving our Memorial Grove.

Well, as I don't think you can see any further, but since

HALL:

but it's not you did. There is something I would appreciate

very much.

1. JIM: Just name it, Major.

2. HALL: Sometime.....I wonder if you'd be good enough to plant a tree  
3. in your Memorial Grove for Lieutenant Albert R. Hall, who lost  
4. his life in action in the Pacific.....He..well..he wasn't a  
5. Forest Service man, of course, but he did love trees and....yes  
6. he was MY son...

7. PAUSE

8. ANNOUNCER: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers comes to you each week during the  
9. National Farm and Home Hour as a network presentation with the  
10. cooperation of the Forest Service, United States Department of  
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